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BOY SCOUT WEEK FEBRUARY 6-12

PATROLS WILL FEATURE WINDOW DISPLAYS

In connection with Scout Week activities the Cheyenne, Pioneer and Wolf Patrol will set up window displays in various sections of our town.

The Cheyenne Patrol will set up display in the two small windows of the Cicero Public Library on Thursday, February 5th at 4 P.M.

The Pioneer Patrol will set up their display on Friday in the window of the Rainbow Savings & Loan Assn. at 5241 West 25th St.

The window of Koch Cleaner & Dyers will be taken over by the Wolf Patrol. The Store is located at 2433 So. 52nd ave. This display will also be set up on Friday, Feb. 6th

"SCOUT CITIZENS AT WORK"



IN HIS HOME

IN HIS COMMUNITY

IN HIS NATION

IN HIS WORLD

PARENTS - - -

There will be another "Parents' Night" on Wednesday 10. Reserve this date now.

38 ANNIVERSARY

Over Three million Boy Scouts will be celebrating the thirty-eight anniversary of Scouting in America, beginning on Friday, February 6th and continuing on until Feb. 12th. Many special activities will be going on during the week such as window displays, Scout Day in town and Sunday services to be conducted in churches throughout the country.

Our troop will do its part by setting up three window displays, having one scout represent the troop in the Town Hall on Scout Day - and by all of the Scouts and Cubs wearing their uniform to the 9 O'clock mass on Sunday, Feb. 8.

This is your week. Help celebrate it by pitching in with the activities of the Troop and Patrol.

'SCOUT DAY' IS NEW IN CICERO.

Although "Scout Day" is nothing new in most towns and villages, it is something new in Cicero.

What is "Scout Day"? Scout Day is the day when the Scouts take over the government of the town and serve as the public officials.

One Scout from each troop is selected to serve as an official.

By popular vote Scout David Przybylski, Senior Patrol Leader of our troop has been selected to serve as one of the town officials for the day.

We do not know what office Dave will take over, but we are sure that no matter what office it is, he will do a grand job of representing the troop and himself.

The tentative date for this occasion is Wednesday, February 11 and it is understood that all of the Scouts selected for this honor will be excused from school for that day.

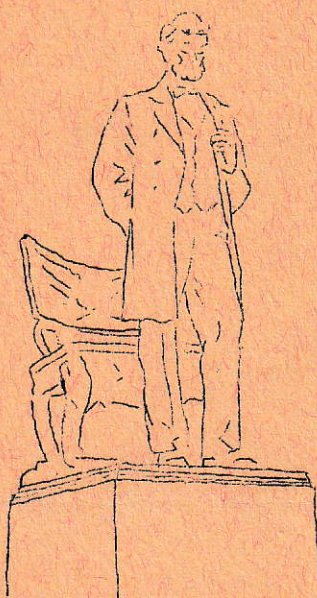
This new activity is being used to replace the former "Scouting in Action" shows, which were held each year during Scout Week at the Cicero Stadium.

More information concerning "Scout Day" will be printed in the local newspapers.

BOARD OF REVIEW -

The Board of Review for February will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 25th. We hope that every Scout will make a special effort to pass his requirements so that our troop will have at least one Scout going before the Board of Review each month. So far there are only five Scouts working on their advancement and that is a pretty lousy showing.

LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY



FEBRUARY 12

COMMITTEE MEETING

The troop Committee will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, February, 25th immediately following the Board of Review.

DUES HAVE GONE UP

Effective with the first Troop Meeting in January, the troop dues have gone up to 10¢ a week.

Our troop leaders have tried to avert this action for a long time, but due to the rising cost of camping material and other troop equipment it could be averted no longer.

The Scoutmaster has stated that the troop is going to purchase a lot of new equipment during the year, so it's going to be up to every scout to pay his dues and pay them on time.

There are some Scouts who are as much as a dollar behind in their dues. Any Scout who is behind in his dues is not being fair with the other Scouts in the troop who pays his dues each week.

FIRST AID CONTEST

Our Troop is now busy preparing for the Cicero Community First Aid Contest, which will be held on April 2 in the Cicero Stadium.

Each patrol will enter a team in the contest this year. This of course will give our troop 3 or 4 teams to enter in the contest. Last year our made a pretty good showing. This year we hope to do a lot better.

PARENTS PLEASE NOTE

To make sure that our Troop Newspaper reaches all Scout Parents, we are now mailing the "Duffel Bag" to all of the Scouts.

Many parents complained that they were not receiving a copy of our newspaper and therefore did not know about our "Parents Nights" and other troop affairs.

Enclosed with this issue of the "Duffel Bag" you will find a list of the Troop leaders and Committeemen's names and addresses.

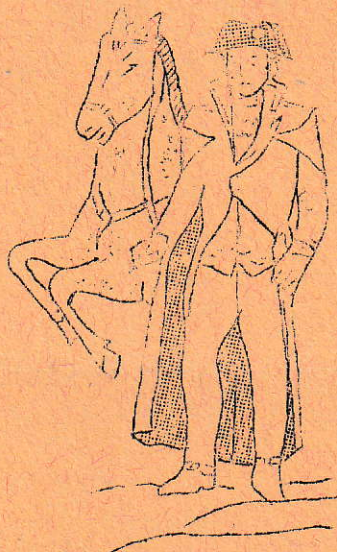
This list will give you an idea of how many men are behind the Cub Pack, Scout Troop or Explorer Post of which your son is a member.

Men are still needed to serve on the committees of these organizations. We appeal to all of the Fathers of the Scouts to consider this appeal.

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WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY



FEBRUARY 22.

COMMANDO HIKE

On Sunday, February, 29th the Troop will conduct a "Commando Hike".

The Troop will meet at 10:30 A.M. in front of the Troop Meeting Hall. All Scouts and leaders are to wear old clothing and bring a lunch along with them.

This is going to be the roughest, toughest and most exciting hike the Troop has ever had.

Permission slips for the March overnight camp trip will be given out at the close of the hike. This means that you must attend the hike if you want to go on the overnight trip.

GREEN BAR MEETING

There will be meeting for all of the Junior leaders of the Troop on Friday, February 13 at the Scoutmasters home.

The meeting will start promptly at 7:45 P.M. Plans for the "Commando hike" and the March overnight camp trip will be discussed.

This meeting is for all leaders from Patrol Leader on up.

Odds and Ends

Although Summer is a long way off, now is a good time to think about earning and saving some money for Summer Camp.

Ralph Sisul says that instead of sending the Scouts thru the mill for unscout like actions, he is going to make the misbehaved Scouts stay after the meeting and make them listen as he sings a song.

R. Lifka says he is going to buy a Scout Cap with the emblem on both ends. I wonder why?

George Monzel
5424 W. 24th St.
Cicero 50, Illinois

Donald Masek
5434 W. 24th Pl.
Cicero 50, Ill.

CUBS ADVANCE IN RECORD TIME

With our newly re-organized Cub Pack being a little over two months old, the Cubs are making a record for themselves when it comes to advancement.

The following Cubs passed their requirements for the Wolf badge.

Dennis Stehlik
Joseph Brusherd
William Broderick
Joseph Adams
Wayne Haack
Raymond Haack
Joseph Pawlak
Henry Robinson Jr.
Norman Kocurek

The following Cubs passed their requirements for the Bear badge.

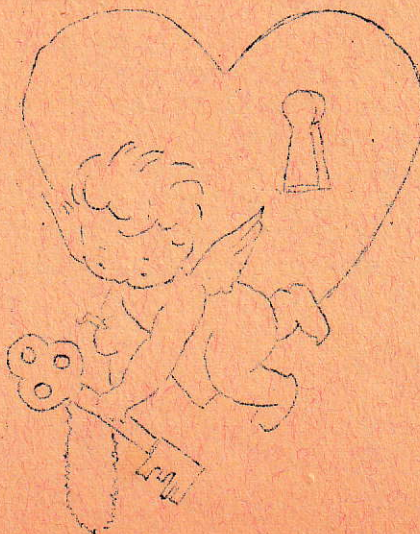
Donald Wojcik
Raymond Daniels

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The following Cubs passed their electives for Gold or Silver arrows.

Dennis Stehlik
Joseph Brusherd
William Broderick
Norman Kocurek
Henry Robinson Jr.

THE NEXT CUB PACK MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY, FEB. 26 IN THE LOWER SCHOOL HALL. THE MEETING WILL OPEN PROMPTLY AT 7 O'CLOCK. - PARENTS ARE INVITED -



TWO SCOUTS STEP UP IN RANK

On Wednesday, January 28, two shaky and nervous Scouts appeared before the Troop Board of Review to advance in Scout Rank.

After the review, the two Scouts were congratulated by the committeemen and by that they knew they had passed and found out that going before the Board of Review was nothing at all.

Scout Bernard Prost was advanced to the rank of Second Class Scout.

Scout Joseph Malos was advanced to the rank of Star Scout.

To both of these Scouts the Troop Leaders send hearty congratulations and hope that they will continue on with their splendid work on advancement.